

CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION (CJPAC)

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Chairperson Mike Lawlor, Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division, Office of Policy and Management; *Karen Martucci*, External Affairs Director, Department of Corrections; *Karen Jarmoc*, President and CEO, CT Coalition against Domestic Violence; *Gary Roberge*, Executive Director, Court Support Services Division; *Kevin Kane*, Chief State's Attorney, Office of the Chief State Attorney; *Carlton Giles*, Chairperson, Connecticut Board of Pardons and Paroles; *Josh Howroyd*, Legislative Program Manager, Department of Children and Families; *Humayun Beg*, Executive Director, Criminal Justice Information Systems; *Chris Rapillo*, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office; *Judge Patrick Carroll*, Chief Court Administrator, Judicial Branch; *Loel Meckle*, Assistant Director of Forensic Services, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; *Tammy Marzik*, Manager of Community Advocacy, Department of Veterans Affairs; *Charlene Russel-Tucker*, Chief Operating Officer, State Department of Education; *Natasha Pierre*, State Victim Advocate, Office of the Victim Advocate; *Laura Cordus*, Executive Director, CT Alliance to End Sexual Violence

I. Introductions

- a. This meeting was broadcast on CTN. <http://www.ctn.state.ct.us/ctnplayer.asp?odID=15159>
- b. Commissioner Lawlor highlighted some data in the March Monthly Indicator Report, and Inmate Mortality Study.
- c. A short discussion about the Inmate Mortality Study ensued.

II. Welcome and Policy Updates

- a. Welcome and update was provided by Chairperson Mike Lawlor.

III. Approval of Minutes from February 2018

- a. Minutes were approved with minor edit to the date.

IV. Commission Correspondence

- a. No Commission Correspondence

VI. Presentation

- a. *Jillian Gilchrest*, Chair, Trafficking In Persons Council, Human Trafficking in Connecticut Presentation

VII. Agency Updates

DCF – census at CJTS is 8 youth, 4 plan to be discharged next week, complete closure no later than May 1st, working to place the employees at CJTS at other agencies, meetings on legislation – two specific bills dealing with transfer of juvenile services and consolidate the language of these drafts to submit to judiciary committee

State's Attorney Office – no report

DMHAS – no report

Public Defenders Office – standardize eligibility procedures across the state, come up with these procedures

Judicial Branch – working on juvenile justice transfer, beginning the online infraction resolution process with chief states attorney office, consolidate the handling of process of these cases – centrally, resulting in further savings to the state, allows for electronic submission of paperwork as well

CJIS – close to putting new release connect DOC and CID data, connectivity from PDs still slow and steady progress, 29 PDs are Connecticut, 10 are providing data

CSSD – RFP for hardware and secure families, known by the end of April for these two bids, facilities will be located around the state, revamp treatment network, to appropriate provide services for the kids CSSD will be responsible for beginning July 1, reaccreditation for two detention facilities in Bridgeport and Hartford, assessors were impressed by Connecticut’s detention center staff and facilities, about mid 40s population between the two detention centers

OVA – bill dealing with crime victims constitutional rights, ensure plea or sentencing hearing postpone so the victim can make their statement

DOC – 5.9% total incarcerated population since last year, total female count is down 7.2% from last year

CT AESV – testify on bill SB13, highlights gender specific programming in prison, supporting bills on improving sexual harassment laws in CT, laws addressing response to sex assault victims at the hospitals, upon their arrival, and pathway to get access to information about their kits, to keep victims engaged in investigations, working to remove statute of limitations for sexual assault crimes, April is sexual assault Awareness month, Wednesday is an advocacy day at the capital and on the north steps is a small rally

DVA – no report

BOPP – 52 absolute pardons, 16 one by full hearing and 36 by expedited procedure and 3 certifications of employability

DESPP- DESPP is in charge of the school safety grant to be able to give money to public and private schools to improve school safety, concerned about national officer involved shootings, DESPP training academy is offering training for schools and towns and cleric coalitions to know how to respond to active shooter situation, several bills concern efforts to secure training range for CSP, DESPP teaches judgement by shooting in real life conditions and practicing so that when troopers are in an active shooter situation they use the best judgement, need to have an adequate training facility for CT troopers

VI. Subcommittee Updates

PJOC – no update

Behavioral health – last meeting cancelled due to snowstorm

Victim issues – last meeting cancelled due to lack of rooms in the LOB

VIII. Public Comment

No public Comment

IX. Adjournment

Chairperson Mike Lawlor adjourned the meeting at 10:54 am.